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TAGS: PINT CSCE SHUM UR
SUBJECT: SAKHAROV AND HELSINKI GROUP MESSAGES TO COALITION FOR DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY

1. SAKHAROV VISITED EMBASSY'S CONSULAR SECTION (AT HIS INITIATIVE) JANUARY 26 TO ASK US TO TRANSMIT TWO STATEMENTS, ONE BY HIM, THE OTHER BY THE HELSINKI MONITORING GROUP, TO A JANUARY 26 MEETING IN WASHINGTON DC OF THE COALITION FOR DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY.

2. SAKHAROV SAID HIS STEP-DAUGHTER HAD INFORMED HIM BY TELEPHONE THAT SHE HAD BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND THE WASHINGTON MEETING, AND THAT THE HELSINKI GROUP WAS GOING TO BE HONORED AT THE MEETING. HE SAID HE HAD TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO PLACE A RETURN TELEPHONE CALL TO HER TO DICTATE TEXTS OF HIS STATEMENT AND THAT OF HELSINKI GROUP.

3. WITHOUT GIVING GUARANTEE AS TO FINAL DISPOSITION, EMBOFF ACCEPTED TEXT OF STATEMENTS FOR POSSIBLE TRANS-
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MISSION TO DEPARTMENT. EMBASSY INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF DOCUMENTS GIVEN BELOW.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT DEPARTMENT, IF IT SEES NO OBJECTION, RELAY TEXTS OF STATEMENTS TO COALITION FOR DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY (WE UNDERSTAND THAT SENATORS JACKSON AND MOYNIHAN ARE AMONG ORGANIZERS

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OF JANUARY 26 MEETING). END CONFIDENTIAL.

5. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. BEGIN TEXT OF SAKHAROV STATEMENT: I CONGRATULATE THE COALITION FOR A DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY ON ITS 5TH ANNIVERSARY. I WRITE THESE WORDS, WHICH MY DAUGHTER IS NOW READING OUT, IN A COUNTRY WHICH IS MANY THOUSANDS OF KILOMETERS DISTANT FROM YOURS, IN A COUNTRY WHICH IS IN MANY WAYS STRIKINGLY DIFFERENT FROM YOURS. NEVERTHELESS, OUR FUTURES AND OUR FATES, ARE INTERRELATED, THEY ARE BOUND TOGETHER FAR MORE CLOSELY THAN IS APPARENT ON THE SURAFACE OF EVERYDAY LIFE, WITH ITS TROUBLES AND DISTURBANCES. I WILL ONLY MENTION IN PASSING THE TERRIBLE APPARITIONS OF THERMONUCLEAR WAR AND ECOLOGICAL CATASTROPHE, AND WILL DWELL ON ONE QUESTION THAT IS IN REALITY OF CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE TO THE FUTURE OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND TO ALL MANKIND. THIS IS THE QUESTION OF THE OPENNESS OF SOCIETY, OF FREEDOM OF THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND OF CONVICTIONS, OF FREEDOM OF CHOICE OF COUNTRY AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE, WHICH ARE PROCLAIMED IN ARTICLES 13 AND 19 OF THE UN UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF MAN. THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THESE PROBLEMS AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY IS OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED BY THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT. ASSOCIATIONS HAVE ARISEN, IN THE USSR
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AND IN OTHER COUNTRIES, WHICH HAVE SET FOR THEM-SELVES THE GOAL OF FACILITATING THE FULFILLMENT OF THESE DECIKSIONS BY COLLECTING INFORMATION ABOUT VIOLATIONS OF THEM. BUT THE LAWFUL AND LEGAL ACTIVITY OF THESE GROUPS HAS RESULTED IN REPRESSION. YOU KNOW OF THE ARRESTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, OF THE ARRESTS OF THE MAJORITY OF MEMBERS OF THE HELSINKI GROUPS IN THE USSR -- GINZBURG, TIKHIY, PYATKUS, LUK'YANENKO (ALL OF WHOM HAD EARLIER SERVED LONG TERMS OF IMPRISONMENT ON POLITICAL CHARGES), ORLOV, SHCHARANSKIY, RUDENKO, MARINOVICH, MATUSEVICH, GAMSAKHURDIYA, KOSTAVA, LANDA, SEREBROV.

WE GREATLY VALUE YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN THE USSR AND THE COUNTRIES OF EASTERN EUROPE. THE HONORARY AWARD TO THE GROUPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HELSINKI ACCORDS IN THE USSR IS YET ANOTHER MANIFESTATION OF THIS SUPPORT. I HOPE FOR A WIDENING OF THE FURTHER STRUGGLE FOR OBSERVATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FOR THE LIBERATION OF ALL PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE IN THE USSR, IN THE COUNTRIES FO EASTER EUROPE AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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24 JANUARY 1978 ANDREY SAKHAROV

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6. BEGIN TEXT OF HELSINKIN GROUP STATEMENT:
DOCUMENT NO. 30 THE MOSCOW GROUP FOR IMPLE-
MENTATION OF THE HELSINKI ACCORDS IN THE USSR, ON
BEHALF OF THE UKRAINIAN, GEORGIAN, LITHUANIAN AND
ARMENIAN GROUPS AND ALL THEIR PARTICIPANTS, THANKS,
YOUR ORGANIZATION FOR THE PRESENTATION OF THE HUMAN
RIGHTS AWARD FOR 1977 TO THE GROUPS FOR THE IMPLE-
MENTATION OF HELSINKI IN THE USSR.
WE CONSIDER YOUR AWARD AS A HIGH EVALUATION
OF THE WORK OF THE GROUPS AND ESPECIALLY OF THOSE
OF US WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OR WHO AWAIT
CONVICTION -- ORLOV, GINZBURG, SHCHARANSKIY, RUDENKO,
TIKHIY, GAMSAKHURDIYA, KKSTAVA, MARINOVICH,
MATUSEVICH, LANDA, LUK'YANENKO. THE PERSONAL
INITIATIVE OF THESE PEOPLE, AND THEIR WORK TO PROMOTE
FULFILLMENT OF ALL OBLIGATIONS REGARDING HUMAN
RIGHTS SPECIFIED BY THE HELSINKI ACT -- WHICH WAS
SIGNED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USSR ALONG WITH
THE GOVERNMENTS OF OTHER COUNTRIES, INCLUDING YOURS --
HAVE LED TO TRAGIC CONSEQUESNCES IN THEIR LIVES.
THEIR LIBERATION IS NOW THE COMMON TASK OF THE GOV-
ERNMENTS AND SOCIETIES OF ALL THE COUNTRIES
WHICH SIGNED THE FINAL ACT.
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WE LOOK UPON YOUR AWARD TODAY AS AN ACT DIRECTED PRECISELY TOWARD THAT GOAL.

26 JANUARY 1978 YELENA BONNER
SOF'YA KALISTRATOVA
NAUM MEYMAN
VIKTOR NIKIPELOV
TAT'YANA OSIPOVA
VLADIMIR SLEPAK

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